

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GLORIA MOLINA

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The Board of Supervisors proudly proclaims the week of March 26 through March 31, 2007 as “Cesar Chavez Community Service Week,” commemorating the life of a true American hero. “Continuing the Legacy” is the theme of the sixth annual weeklong tribute to Chavez, who dedicated his life to serving others and bringing social equality to all people. The anniversary of his birth is Saturday, March 31, 2007.

As an example of Cesar Chavez’ service to others, the County’s observance will consist of volunteer opportunities for County employees at community centers, neighborhood organizations, parks, libraries, probation camps, animal shelters, through beautification projects and a beach clean-up.

In addition, County employees will continue the tradition of the Chavez Food Drive from March 19 through March 30, 2007. Nearly 25,000 pounds of food items and products have been donated by county employees to the Los Angeles Regional Food Bank.

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County departments are encouraged to once again tailor existing educational and cultural programming and activities to emphasize the mission and theme of Cesar Chavez Community Service Week.

The Cesar Chavez curriculum will be used as part of this year's arts contest, a competition among youths at the County's Probation camps and schools, and the library's web-accessible curriculum will also be available to schools.

Therefore, I move that the Board of Supervisors take the following actions:

- 1) Proclaim March 26 through March 31, 2007 as "Cesar Chavez Community Service Week" throughout Los Angeles County; and
- 2) Request that the Director of the Office of Workplace Programs, Chief Administrative Office, work with the Executive Office of the Board and County Departments to coordinate and support Cesar Chavez Community Service Week activities and volunteer opportunities for County employees; and
- 3) Request all Department Heads/Districts to promote awareness of and voluntary participation in Cesar Chavez Community Service Week activities in departmental newsletters, bulletin boards, and other forms of communication; and
- 4) Request the County Librarian to make its Cesar Chavez website curriculum accessible to schools Countywide.